

Castro Prisoners Tell Of CIA Efforts on TV

KEY WEST, Fla., Nov. 2 (AP).—Three youths who said they were United States Central Intelligence agents captured by Fidel Castro forces appeared on Havana television tonight and told about their activities.

Questioned by Castro military men, the three, apparently Cubans, said they made repeated trips to contact anti-Castro forces in Cuba. The Havana TV program was monitored in Key West.

Luis Montero Carrazana, tall and wearing a white sport-shirt, said he had worked for the CIA since 1960.

He said he worked in Miami with the Christian Democratic Movement, an anti-Castro organization.

"I contacted Dr. Ignacio Rasco, of the Christian Democrats, who asked us to join their organization and they said we could work with them by ship. We made three or four voyages.

Identifies Vessel

"The first, in November, 1961, disembarked in Oriente (Eastern Cuba) after leaving from Marathon (in the Florida Keys)," he said.

Appearing with Montero were Clemente Inland and Roberto Lizano Rodriguez.

Montero said he was the quartermaster of the Rex, identified previously by Castro as a CIA vessel based at Palm Beach, Fla.

"The ship traveled as a merchant vessel for a Nicaraguan company," the prisoner said.

"I landed many times in Cuba. I delivered packages there. We moored five or six miles from the Cuban coast, then used two launches. We would leave six men and 25 or 30 packages in Cuba. I did not

know the mission of these men. Then we would return to the ship."

Lists Ship's Weapons

He did not explain what the packages contained.

The Cuban, who appeared about 30 years old, continued: "The artillery of the ship (Rex) consisted of five 20-caliber cannons, four 50-caliber machine guns, and other weapons.

"Before daybreak we returned to Key West or Miami.

We always returned to the American coast," he said.

Montero claimed the CIA paid him \$250 a month at first, then later increased it to \$275 a month.

"When they wanted us to go on a mission they informed us by telephone. The man who gave the orders for the CIA was an American who we called Capt. Ward.

"I participated on many missions. One was sabotage at Santo Lucia. This mission was carried out by 12 commandos whom we picked up on a key near Miami," he said.